

ABSTRACT OF DISCLOSURE

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROTECTING AGAINST PACKET LOSSES IN PACKET-ORIENTED DATA TRANSMISSION

Individual data packets are transmitted together with information about the end of a respective data packet, without padding, and then virtual padding is effected for generating redundant packets. At the receiver, the data packets are obtained using the information about the respective end of packet if no packet was lost, and are only expanded by padding if a packet has been lost and can be reconstructed by one or more redundant packets.